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MEDICAL SYMPOSIUM ON SPINAL CORD INJURY

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1. WEISS HAS DELIVERED TO US LETTER OF INVITATION FOR THE
SUBJECT SYMPOSIUM, WHICH WE HAVE FORWARDED TO THE 16
SCIENTISTS WHOSE NAMES ARE ON THE SEPTEMBER, 1976 LIST.
THIS SHOULD FACILITATE THEIR POLISH VISA APPLICATIONS. WEISS ALSO
PLANS TO NOTIFY THE POLISH EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON AND THE CONSULATE
IN CHICAGO OF THE DATES OF THE SYMPOSIUM AND THE NAMES OF THE
AMERICAN PARTICIPANTS.

2. TO COMPLY WITH U.S.G. REGULA-
TIONS REGARDING THE USE OF U.S. CARRIERS, THE AMERICAN
PARTICIPANTS SHOULD PLAN TO ARRIVE IN WARSAW ON SATURDAY,
MAY 13, VIA PA-66 FROM WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK. GROUP
ARRIVAL WOULD ALSO GREATLY FACILITATE AIRPORT PICK-UP
AND TRANSFER TO THE HOTEL.
OPENING CEREMONIES WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY, MAY 15, AND
THE WORKING SESSION IN KONSTANCIN WILL BEGIN ON MONDAY,
MAY 16. THE RETURN OF THE AMERICAN PARTICIPANTS TO THE
US IS PLANNED FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 25, VIA PA-67
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TO NEW YORK AND WASHINGTON. WEISS ALSO INTENDS TO
TAKE THIS FLIGHT TO NEW YORK, WHERE HE WILL TAKE PART
IN ANOTHER CONFERENCE.) THUS, THE DURATION OF STAY IN POLAND WILL
BE FROM MAY 14 THROUGH 25, AS STATED IN THE LETTER OF INVITA-
TION, WHILE THE WORKING SESSIONS WILL BE FROM MAY 16 THROUGH 22.
THE REMAINING DAYS ARE SCHEDULED FOR DOMESTIC TRAVEL AND REGIONAL
CONFERENCES. WE URGE RSA TO ADVISE ALL CONCERNED OF THE CHANGE

IN THE SYMPOSIUM DATES.

3. NON-AMERICAN ATTENDEES WHO HAVE ACCEPTED ARE:

J.J. WALSH, U.K.

D.H. WILSON, U.K.

K. JELLINGER, AUSTRIA

JOHN D. YEO, AUSTRALIA

VOLKMAR PAESLACK, GERMANY

NILS-ERIK ANDEN, SWEDEN

ELZBIETA JANKOWSKA, SWEDEN

4. WEISS REQUESTS THAT PROJECT OFFICER THOMAS SUPPLY THE NAMES OF AUTHORS AND TITLES OF PAPERS TO BE PRESENTED BY THE AMERICAN PARTICIPANTS AT THE SYMPOSIUM. THIS INFORMATION IS URGENTLY REQUIRED IN TO PERMIT PRINTING OF THE OFFICIAL PROGRAM.

5. WE APPRECIATE RSA'S ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS TO RELEASE 1,467,630 ZLOTYS TO THE JOINT FUND. BECAUSE WE PLAN TO ARRANGE FOR THE PREPAYMENT OF INTERNATIONAL AIR TRAVEL FOR THE SYMPOSIUM PARTICIPANTS, WE NEED TO HAVE THE RELEASE OF THE ENTIRE AMOUNT TO THE SUBSIDIARY JOINT FUND ACCOUNT.
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6. DOES THE QUALIFICATION "U.S." IN PARAGRAPH 5 OF REF A IMPLY THAT THE SUPPORT AND AIR TRAVEL FOR THE NON U.S. PARTICIPANTS IS TO BE DERIVED FROM THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN 1,467,630 ZLOTYS AND 566,280 ZLOTYS?

7. WEISS CONCURS WITH OUR PREPAYING INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL FOR ALL OF THE SYMPOSIUM PARTICIPANTS. THIS CAN BE DONE IN ADDITION TO DISBURSING PROJECT FUNDS FOR THEIR SUPPORT THROUGH A LOCAL ARRANGEMENT WITH ORBIS. PLEASE CONFIRM WHETHER THIS IS ACCEPTABLE TO RSA.

8. ON CLOSER REVIEW OF THE PROJECT BUDGET, WE NOTICE THAT THE PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION ATTACHED TO REF B IS FOR 594,260 ZLOTYS. HOWEVER, THE TOTAL BUDGET FOR THE PROJECT LESS ITEM 3-B (INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL) IS ONLY 533,420 ZLOTYS. WE BELIEVE THE LATTER AMOUNT IS THE CORRECT ONE, PAYABLE TO THE GRANTEE, AND WE REQUEST RSA'S CONCURRENCE. IF AN ERROR HAS BEEN MADE, WE WILL ARRANGE FOR A

REFUND OF 60,840 ZLOTYS FROM THE GRANTEE AND DEPOSIT THIS AMOUNT
IN THE SUBSIDIARY JOINT FUND ACCOUNT TO BE CO-MINGLED WITH THE
1,467,630 ZLOTYS RELEASED
TO THE JOINT FUND EARLIER.

9. THE EMBASSY'S PROPOSAL FOR THE COORDINATION OF
INTERNATIONAL AIR TRAVEL IS THE SAME AS THE ONE
DEVELOPED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE FOR THE
TECHNICAL AGENCIES LAST OCTOBER. RSA SHOULD SEND US A TELEGRAM VIA
THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE REQUESTING PREPAYMENT OF APPROPRIATE AIR
TICKET (S), AND GIVING US THE ITINERARY, NAME OF TRAVELER, OFFICE
AND HOME TELEPHONE NUMBERS OF TRAVELER, AND THE OFFICE WHERE THE
TRAVELER WISHES TO PICK UP THE TICKET. ON RECEIPT FROM
THE U.S. COUNTERSIGNER OF THE ZLOTYS, THE AIRLINE OFFICE IN
WARSAW WILL TELEGRAPH THE AIRLINE OFFICE DESIGNATED BY THE TRAVELER
THAT THE TICKET IS PREPAID. COMPLIANCE WITH U.S. REGULATIONS
REGARDING THE USE OF U.S. CARRIERS WILL BE REQUIRED.
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